

The Watchman and Sentinel.

**Columbia's Centennial—Ad-
dress by Gen. Hampton.**

Tradition says that the first site selected for our town was at Granby, which was then quite a thriving trading post. Besides the fact that this place was first chosen as the location of Coburnia, there are several interesting historical reminiscences connected with old Granby. It was there that Lieutenant Harry Lee, the father of our im-

gle ground, they were free from the prejudices and the jealousies which prevailed between the upper and the lower country. And it is a matter of pride to every citizen of Columbia that her people have always stood consistently on that middle ground, acknowledging no difference between the seceding and our State, and recognizing every son of

The city continued under the government of an Intendant and Wardens until 1854 when by Act of the Legislature the name of this place was changed from that of the town of Columbus to that of the city of Columbus, and it was given a Mayor. Apropos of this change in our government, Benjamin Rawls, an old citizen of our town and once its postmaster, and who held the tape lines to mark out the foundation of the first wing of the college in 1803, gave some lines of verse to celebrate the change. I cannot say

and the confidence of those who bestow it. Where obtained by falsehood, misrepresentation or trickery, it brands its possessor with dishonor. In every position to which the partiality of my fellow citizens has called me I have striven honestly and sincerely to discharge the duties imposed upon me to the best of my ability. How my duty to the State has been performed it is not for me but for my fellow citizens, to judge. From that verdict I shall never appeal. My political career is ended, my public work is finished.

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